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To: Education

SENATE BILL NO. 2599

1 AN ACT TO ALLOW STATE-FUNDED SCHOOLS TO PARTICIPATE IN  
2 EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AGAINST SCHOOLS THAT DO NOT RECEIVE  
3 STATE FUNDS, SCHOOLS THAT ARE NOT ACCREDITED BY THE STATE  
4 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AND AGAINST NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR  
5 RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** (1) As used in this section, the term  
8 "extracurricular" means any school-authorized or education-related  
9 activity occurring during or outside the regular instructional  
10 school day including, but not limited to, academic teams,  
11 athletics, art, band, choir, honor societies, music and theater.

12 (2) Teams and individuals from nonpublic schools as defined  
13 in Section 37-13-91(i) may participate in extracurricular  
14 activities against teams and schools that receive state funding.

15 (3) Schools that receive state funding may participate in  
16 extracurricular activities against schools that are not accredited  
17 by the State Department of Education and against schools that do  
18 not receive state funding.



19           **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
20 and after July 1, 2023.

